# **Minutes of the Health Committee**

The Health Committee of the McLean County Board met on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. at the Government Center Building, Room 400, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, IL

Members Present: Chairman Susan Schafer, Members: George Wendt, Randall

Martin, Catherine Metsker and Sharon Chung

Members Absent: Members Carlo Robustelli and George Gordon

Other Members Present: Member Jim Soeldner

Staff Present: Ms. Camille Rodriguez, County Administrator; Mr. Eric Schmitt

Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Cassy Taylor, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary,

County Administrator's Office

Department Heads/

Elected Officials Present: Ms. Michelle Welch, Adult Jail Medical; Ms. Tammy Brooks, Interim

Administrator Health Department; Mr. Mike Donovan, Director

**Court Services** 

Others Present:

Chairman Schafer called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and declared a guorum.

Chairman Schafer presented the minutes from the August 5, 2019 regular meeting for approval.

Motion by Martin/Chung to approve the minutes from the August 5, 2019 regular meeting.

Motion carried.

Chairman Schafer confirmed there were no members of the public to appear before the Committee.

Ms. Tammy Brooks, Health Department Interim Administrator presented her monthly reports to the Committee. Ms. Brooks indicated they have been collaborating with many organizations including Administration with the sharing of a communication specialist. She went over media news including Hepatitis A outbreak and upcoming clinics including Flu shots. Ms. Metsker asked if they had provided outreached to the churches about Hepatitis A outbreak. Mr. Dion McNeal, Communication Specialist came forward and indicated they had spoken to churches. Chairman Schafer also gave an update on the search for the new Health Department Administrator. Chairman Schafer ask if there were any additional questions or comments for Ms. Brooks, hearing none, she thanked her.

Ms. Cindy Wegner, Director of the McLean County Nursing Home presented for action a request to approve an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2019 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for the Nursing

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Home. Ms. Wegner indicated this was for the Medicaid Overpayment found during the recent Audit that had been discussed at last month's meeting. Ms. Metsker asked how the overpayments occurred. Ms. Wegner confirmed it was payments made after people were discharged or had passed away. Ms. Metsker asked why there were so many 1156 forms submitted incorrectly and what it meant to be submitted incorrectly. Ms. Wegner indicated the form is submitted when someone passes away and some forms were not submitted timely or did not have correct information. Ms. Metsker asked if steps had been taken to prevent future instances. Ms. Wegner said they now have a check and balance system in place that she was a part of. Ms. Metsker asked if there was someone else that could also check these forms. Ms. Wegner confirmed there was and further indicated they were exploring adding a Medicaid Specialist position. Ms. Schafer asked if Medicaid still makes payments when forms are improperly submitted. Ms. Wegner indicated overpayments were due to the updating process of the Medi system not the improper submission of forms. Ms. Metsker asked if they get notice of overpayment or improper submission. Ms. Wegner indicated they do not get notice of overpayments, so the Auditor is assisting them by setting up a system to address that. She stated that they do get information about incorrect submissions now that it is an automated system. Ms. Schafer asked if they had checked books from January of 2018 to current to make sure no overpayments. Ms. Wegner confirmed they had and none had been found. Mr. Wendt asked if we know total amount of overpayment. Ms. Wegner indicated we can know in the future but only know for sure the amount that came out of the audit for past. She indicated it is complicated to track because of how and when Medicaid pays for each person.

Motion by Metsker/Chung to recommend approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2019 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for the Nursing Home. Motion Carried.

Ms. Wegner presented her monthly reports. She indicated a facility in the area decertified their Medicaid beds, so the Nursing Home received seven residents from that facility. Ms. Metsker asked her where those residents would go if we could not serve them. Ms. Wegner indicated there are two other facilities in the area they could consider. Ms. Metsker asked her if the families choose the facility the resident goes to. Ms. Wegner confirmed. Ms. Schafer asked her status of ageing report. Ms. Wegner stated they are still going through and hope to give an update next month.

Ms. Metsker said she appreciated information on Blue Ribbon items but saw it as a checklist and would like to see a status update instead. She provided examples where she would like to see more detail and asked if Ms. Wegner is she could provide a report prior to next month's meeting. Ms. Wegner indicated she would. (for more detail, please refer to audio 21:00 – 26:59). Ms. Chung said she appreciated the checklist and thanked her for the information. Mr. Wendt said he would like to see a profit and loss report on an accrual basis instead of on a cash basis as he did not feel the current report tells us true standing of the Nursing Home Fund. Ms. Schafer indicated they are working on that. Mr. Wendt provided example of taking a one-time a year invoice and spreading cost out over 12 months so there is not the fluctuation we currently see and stated the same should be done with income. Ms. Rodriguez stated they have involved the Auditor in this process to try to help with these requests. Ms. Anderson was

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asked to come forward and she indicated the revenues are accrued in the appropriate month. She stated the expenses would be the bigger challenge, especially when figuring payroll. She also explained that the Nursing Home does not directly pay most insurance policies as 75% of those monies are paid from the Tort Fund. Ms. Anderson went on to explain the process. Ms. Schafer asked about the rehab contract and if they were putting out a Request For Proposals. Ms. Wegner indicated the rehab contract is not up for renewal but October 1<sup>st</sup> a new payment system goes into place through CMS and would be brought to Committee for input. She stated that when the contract is up for renewal a request for proposals would be brought to Committee.

Ms. Metsker stated that on the survey they put down as part of the correction plan that it will be reviewed quarterly and asked her how that is being tracked and outcomes addressed. Ms. Wegner indicated there is a meeting quarterly to go over each item and make sure the method selected to correct each item is being done. She stated they keep track of training and disciplinary efforts. Ms. Metsker said she appreciated needing to respond to the State but wanted to make sure we are succeeding and moving forward with goals. Ms. Wegner indicated tools are utilized on a continuing basis and policies are updated to reflect changes. Mr. Martin asked if there is a policy and procedure manual that identifies tags. Ms. Wegner indicated CMS provides that. Mr. Martin asked if we have our own policy manual staff follows that identifies tags. Ms. Wegner confirmed they do and it is updated with new practice or policy based on any updates to the CMS manual. Ms. Schafer asked about a possible Senate bill that had to do with Nursing Home staff and how it might affect us. Ms. Wegner said she was not sure which Bill Ms. Schafer was referring to, but there was the one that had to do with nursing hours where public health and nursing institutions would be fined differently than in the past if they did not have the number of registered nurse hours required based on facilities skill level.

Ms. Metsker thanked Ms. Wegner, Ms. Rodriguez, Ms. Malott for coming out and speaking to the McLean County Elected Officials meeting for the time they took and the presentation provided by Ms. Wegner was very positive and people walked away with a much better understanding of the gem we have in the nursing home. Ms. Schafer agreed as she too felt Ms. Wegner did a great job. Chairman Schafer asked if there were any additional questions for Ms. Wegner, hearing none, she thanked her.

Ms. Michelle Welch, Adult Medical and Mr. Jason Tabb, Juvenile Detention Center came forward. Ms. Schafer presented for action for Ms. Welch a request to approve an Amendment to Administrative Telepsychiatry Agreement with Genoa Healthcare. Ms. Schafer asked Ms. Malott to come forward to explain. Ms. Malott stated this amendment extends the number of hours that would be provided for Telepsychiatry by Genoa Healthcare. She indicated that Genoa does have Illinois providers who have experience in Corrections and the same person would assist with the FUSE program to provide for continuity of care between systems. Ms. Schafer asked if they had someone in place. Ms. Malott stated she had just received a CV and information on a person before the meeting. Ms. Metsker asked about termination date of the contract. Ms. Malott stated the expiration date went with the original contract. Ms. Metsker asked if this also included Juvenile Detention Center. Ms. Malott indicated it did not as Well Path was not providing for the Juvenile Detention Center. Ms. Taylor indicated the Juvenile Detention Center is under the umbrella of Court Services and Court Services does have an

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agreement with CYFS to provide telepsychiatric and counseling services for youth that are involved with the criminal justice system.

Motion by Martin/Chung to recommend approval of an Amendment to Administrative Telepsychiatry Agreement with Genoa Healthcare. Motion Carried.

Ms. Schafer indicated that Ms. Welch and Mr. Tabb had reports in the packet and asked if there were questions; hearing none, Ms. Schafer stated the Committee was supposed to have a tour of Jail Medical but felt they would be short on time. She confirmed with Ms. Welch and Committee and postponed tour until December. Ms. Metsker asked about possibly having meeting in the Law & Justice Center before the tour. Mr. Schmitt stated they would look into it. Ms. Welch thanked them for the new medical location.

Ms. Rodriguez went over the new positions hired. Ms. Metsker asked about a public health communication specialist and Mr. McNeal's position. Ms. Rodriguez indicated that it is same position; they had not changed the name of the position even though he will be utilized in other departments than just the Health Department. Ms. Schafer asked if there were any other questions; hearing none, she thanked Ms. Rodriguez.

Ms. Schafer indicated that the next meet would be on Monday, September 30, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

Chairman Schafer presented for approval bills with a prepaid and fund total of \$222,655.25 for the Nursing Home.

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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Health Committee - Nursing Home

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0401 0403	NURSING HOME NURSING HOME CRAFT FUND		\$222,383.42 \$271.83	\$222,383.42 \$271.83
			\$222,656.25	\$222,655,25

MSM Shah

Motion by Metsker/Chung to approve bills for the Nursing Home as presented. Motion carried.

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Chairman Schafer presented the bills for the Developmental Disability Board with a prepaid and fund total of \$94,491.56.

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Health Committee - Dev. Disability Board

FUND

FUND TITLE

0110

PERSONS/DEV.DISABILITY

PENDING TOTAL PREPAID TOTAL

FUND TOTAL

\$94,491.55

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Motion by Martin/Chung to approve bills for the Developmental Disability Board as presented.

Motion carried.

Chairman Schafer presented for approval bills for Jail Medical and JDC Medical with a prepaid and fund total of \$81,837.81.

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Health Committee - Jail Med & JDC Med

FUND 0135

**FUND TITLE** 

TORT JUDGEMENT

PENDING TOTAL

PREPAID TOTAL

FUND TOTAL

\$81,837.81

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Motion by Chung/Martin to approve bills for Jail Medical and JDC Medical as presented.

Motion carried.

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Chairman Schafer presented for approval bills for the Board of Health with a prepaid and fund total of \$182,399.66.

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#### Health Committee - Board of Health

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0102 0103 0106 0106 0107 0112	DENTAL SEALANT GRANT HEALTH DEPT WIC PREVENTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM FAMILY CASE MANAGEMENT AIDS/COMM.DISEASE CONTROL HEALTH DEPARTMENT		\$18,702.71 \$1,758.07 \$142.30 \$4,637.67 \$2,559.82 \$154,699.09	\$18,702.71 \$1,758.07 \$1,42.30 \$4,537.67 \$2,559.82 \$154,699.09
			\$182,399.66	\$182,399.66

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Metsker/Chung to approve bills for the Board of Health as presented. Motion carried.

Chairman Schafer asked if there was any additional business to come before the Committee; hearing nothing, she adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

The Committee went on a tour of the facility

Respectfully submitted,

Julie A. Morlock

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Recording Secretary